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## Gov't urged to accept U.S.-Egypt arms deal

**Jerusalem Post Reporter**  
Israeli defence experts recommend that the government refrain from opposing any increased American arms shipments to Egypt, and instead urge Washington to keep the additional military aid within limited proportions.

Israel is likely to ask Washington for another \$500 million worth of weaponry in the near future, according to defence experts here. This would help Israel cope with the increased arms shipments expected to go to Egypt and Saudi Arabia in the wake of the Iran upheaval.

The experts hold that Israel should strive for a stronger Egypt now, on the theory that stability in the Middle East will inevitably rest on the readiness of Israel and Egypt to uphold the interests of the free nations.

Anti-U.S. incitement in the Middle East, whipped up by various volatile Moslem elements, is likely to persist for some time, the defence people say. While the regime of President Anwar Sadat is not now under any serious threat, the Ba'ath regime in Syria is shaky, though not because of the Iran-U.S. dispute.

The Shia upheaval in Iran does not threaten the smooth progress of the peace process between Israel and Egypt, according to experts here. But Sadat's offer of asylum to the deposed shah drew frowns in Washington, it is understood, because American officials felt that the stability of the Egyptian regime could have been affected.

There was no confirmation of last night's report by Israel Radio that Soviet forces in the Mediterranean and the Indian Ocean were on alert in the wake of American naval movement following the seizure of the U.S. embassy in Teheran.

On the contrary, *The Jerusalem Post* was told, the Soviet Union has taken a number of diplomatic measures designed to make American military moves over the Iran situation unnecessary. Moscow is understood by experts here to be trying to defuse the tension created over the Teheran embassy affair.

This is because the Soviet Union would feel obliged to make a show of military muscle if the U.S. became belligerent, and the Soviet Union is reluctant to get involved in unwanted escalation over Iran.

Although the U.S. is said to feel it has exhausted all conventional diplomatic processes in connection with the Teheran embassy affair, and will now turn to other measures, these are understood to mean economic pressures for now, and not military steps.

**Showdown today: 2nd abortion vote**  
By SARAH HONIG  
Political Reporter

TEL AVIV — The government's fate may be determined when the controversial Abortion Law amendment comes before the Knesset for a second vote.

The measure, which would disallow abortions for reasons of social or economic circumstance, failed last month by a tie vote of 54-54. But now the government has invoked the Transition Law — calling it a vote of "confidence" — to create moral pressure on coalition rebels to toe the line.

(The Transition Law obligates ministers — but not MKs — to vote with the government, and gives the prime minister the power to dismiss those who oppose it, if he sees fit. But Democratic Movement ministers are exempt from even this requirement under the coalition agreement.)

Coalition leaders yesterday exuded optimism and expressed confidence that they can muster the majority that would keep the four Agudat Yisrael MKs in the coalition and keep the government together.

As far as Aguda is concerned, this is the government's last chance. The Aguda MKs almost walked out of the coalition when the amendment failed last time around.

Attempts at a compromise failed, and the re-vote is talking place now after the Aguda supreme authority — the Council of Torah Sages — gave the government a two-week respite.

All sides are expected to be present in full force for this afternoon's vote.

Most Likud members are expected to vote with the government. Some may absent themselves from the vote, but coalition sources say they are not expected to number more than two.

One coalition party which will be divided in its vote is the Democratic Movement. Its leader, Deputy Prime Minister Yigael Yadin, said that he will cast a may vote "this is an issue of conscience." Yadin was still recuperating from a heart attack during the first vote.

Other DM members, including Justice Minister Shmuel Tamir, may abstain. MKs Akiva Nof and Shafiq Assad will probably vote with the government, and Shlomo Eliahu will team up with Yadin.

MKs Geula Cohen and Moshe Shamir of Tehiya will absent themselves, a plus for the government, since they had been expected to side with ppsotop to help topple the government. (Pressure from religious elements in Tehiya prevented this.)

MK Samuel Flatto Sharon, who had announced that he would abstain, is now saying that he will make his decision just before the vote.

## Slain PLO man said W. Bank terror chief

By DAVID RICHARDSON  
Jerusalem Post Reporter and Agencies

One of the two Palestine Liberation Organization officials murdered in Cyprus on Saturday was chief of terrorist operations in the West Bank, PLO sources said yesterday in Nicosia.

Ibrahim Abdel-Aziz Breyilis, whose code name was "Abu Safad," was the main target of the two assassins, the sources said. The other PLO official killed was Samir Toukan (code name "Ali Samir"), identified as the second secretary at the PLO mission in Nicosia.

The bodies of the two PLO officials were returned to Beirut yesterday accompanied by a representative of the Cyprus government. (Photograph — page 4) The coffins were met at the airport by a Fatah guard of honour headed by the PLO military commander Walid Wazir, better known by the code name of "Abu Jihad."

Securely around the Israeli and Arab embassies in Cyprus was increased following the shooting. The pro-Palestinian Socialist Party, Edek, called for the closure of the Israeli embassy.

A PLO statement issued following the shooting and repeated

yesterday accused Israeli intelligence agents of responsibility for the slayings.

Cypriot police yesterday issued a description of one of the two men whom they believe shot Toukan and Breyilis as they got out of Toukan's car near his home in a fashionable suburb of Nicosia at 5:30 p.m. on Saturday.

They are seeking a light-skinned man of about 30, with short black hair, about 1.77 metres tall. He was last seen wearing a white polo-neck sweater and a black jacket with narrow lapels. He is believed to be right-handed.

Toukan, 33, had been serving as the second secretary on the island for the last three years. He was a member of the well-known Toukan family from Nabulus.

Breyilis came from Hebron. He arrived in Nicosia on Friday and was a guest of Toukan. A Cyprus newspaper said Breyilis was in Cyprus as personal envoy of PLO leader Yasser Arafat, but it did not pinpoint his mission.

Both men were shot at point-blank range with a pistol or pistols equipped with silencers. The assassins made their getaway by car. Police at a checkpoint less than 100 metres from the scene heard

nothing and were summoned by the screams of Toukan's Cypriot wife, Kyproulla, who witnessed the slayings.

The roadblock had been set up to check car registration numbers as part of a petrol-saving scheme banning odd-or-even-numbered cars on alternative weekends.

Police found an abandoned white Mazda sedan yesterday 300 metres from the scene of the killings. A statement said the car was believed to have been used by the attackers, but that investigation was still continuing.

The PLO office in Cyprus was opened in 1975 and the original staff of three has increased to 17. Some sources indicate that some of the staff are Fatah field operatives responsible for the planning and execution of operations against Israel on and from the island.

Today's newspapers in East Jerusalem carry a large number of obituaries mourning the death of the two PLO men in Nicosia.

Two Palestinians were sentenced to hang for the killing of Egyptian newspaper editor Yousef el-Sibael in the Hilton Hotel in Nicosia on February 18, 1975. The editor was a close friend of Egypt's President Anwar Sadat.



Members of the Scouts march down Ben-Yehuda Street in the capital yesterday, exhorting drivers to "give the children a chance to grow up" by taking care on the roads. Such marches were organized in Jerusalem and other towns with the cooperation of the Transport Ministry, the National Council for the Prevention of Road Accidents, the Education Ministry and the police. Related report — page 2. (Herskovitz, Zoom 77)

## Histadrut warns gov't on C-o-L

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — The Histadrut yesterday warned the government that it had better keep its word and compensate wage-earners fully for the latest price rises.

Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz had promised salaried workers that they would get 100 per cent compensation for the latest rises in the cost-of-living index. But last week Treasury sources said they were not sure they could keep this promise.

"This is a credibility test," secretary-general Yeroham Meshel declared here yesterday. He noted that Housing Minister David Levy had promised full compensation when he addressed the Histadrut Executive on November 25, and Hurvitz offered it when he met the Central Committee on December 15.

Meshel said it was "inconceivable" that the Histadrut should let the Treasury renege on its explicit promises. Meshel's statement was regarded as a denial of reports that the Histadrut was willing to negotiate over the amount of compensation.

The ruling Alignment faction in the Histadrut had originally demanded only 80 per cent compensation for price rises. But the Likud faction in the Executive demanded full compensation, and the Alignment members felt they could not oppose it.

## Customs director fired for critical press interview

By SHELOMO MAOZ  
Post Economic Reporter

Director of Customs and Excise Yeheskel Abulafia was fired from his post in the Finance Ministry yesterday for giving an interview last week in which he said that manpower cuts in the customs department would curtail its activities.

Finance Minister Yigael Hurvitz made the decision to fire him, the official reason being that he was not authorized to speak with the press. According to government regulations, only the spokesman and his staff can have contact with the media.

But this is only the formal reason, since many senior officials in the

ministry speak to the press. Abulafia, as one Treasury source put it, "should have known that he was on the block."

Meanwhile, the chairman of the national customs employees works committees, Yitzhak Mann, telegraphed Hurvitz with a request that he hold off implementing the dismissal until the committee members have had a chance to discuss Abulafia's case.

The customs works committees are to hold an emergency meeting this morning to discuss the latest developments.

The cabinet, which approved the dismissal, has appointed State Revenue Director Uriel Lynn as acting customs director.

The ministry spokesman said yesterday that, when Hurvitz took over in mid-November, he forbade officials to talk to journalists. Hurvitz interpreted Abulafia's comments as public criticism of the government and of his superiors, the spokesman said.

In the interview, Abulafia gave as an example of cutbacks the fact that he had set up a team of 30 inspectors to fight smuggling in Sinai and at air bases being set up in the Negev. That team has now been dispersed, making it more difficult for him to deal with smuggling, he said.

Abulafia was appointed head of the customs department two and a half years ago, several days before Simha Ehrlich, Hurvitz' predecessor, took over as finance minister.



Yeheskel Abulafia (Zoom 77)

## Egged-Dan merger stymied by court order

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — An injunction secured by Egged's hired workers last night suspended discussion of the merger agreement between the two bus cooperatives, Egged and Dan. The injunction was issued by the Tel Aviv District Labour Court.

The workers are demanding a new work contract ensuring their employment under the new, enlarged bus company.

Late last night the Egged management was trying to persuade the hired workers to cancel the injunction so Egged could negotiate and initial the merger agreement.

The injunction came as the two cooperatives were on the verge of closing the deal. Egged and Dan

have been discussing the possibility of merging, off and on, for the past 20 years. Now, with credit tighter than ever before, with the government cutting back on subsidies, and

Dan has over 1,200 buses in routes within the greater Tel Aviv area, and one interurban route to Jerusalem from Bnei Brak and Ramat Gan. It also operates a tourist line — Dan Tours.

Egged, the country's largest interurban bus company, has over 3,300 buses with urban routes in all major towns. It also owns Egged Tours. Both cooperatives own considerable real estate, including bus terminals in several cities.

Since the members of both cooperatives approved the merger in principle three years ago, the two managements need only sign the agreement now without referring it back to their membership. The idea of a merger was first put forward by the minister of transport, Gad Ya'acobi, who helped bring the two sides to the negotiating table.

with increasing competition from new, small bus companies, the idea of merger appears more attractive to the two giant cooperatives.

**Bulletin:**  
The Egged and Dan bus cooperatives last night merged after hired workers who had opposed the move were given assurances by the Egged management that their jobs would not be affected, Israel Radio reported at midnight last night.

with increasing competition from new, small bus companies, the idea of merger appears more attractive to the two giant cooperatives.

## Israel junior wins world tennis title

By JACK LEON  
Post Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV — Israel's junior tennis star Gilad Bloom won both the singles and doubles crown over the weekend at the first world under-12 championships for boys and girls in Caracas, Venezuela.

Bloom's doubles partner was his Israeli Tennis Centre teammate Max Osheroff.

In the final of the 64-strong draw, Bloom defeated Brazilian No. 1



Gilad Bloom (Susskind)

Sergio Rivero 4-6, 6-4, 6-1 to become the first Israeli player to win a world title in tennis.

Bloom and Osheroff defeated a Rumanian-Peruvian pairing in three sets in the doubles final of the 17-nation meet. Osheroff also won the consolation singles, beating Kenya's Jay Zazie 6-2, 6-1 in the last round. Two thousand spectators were on hand for the final day of the week-long meet, which also included a full under-10 event.

## Cabinet scores UN anti-Zionism vote

Jerusalem Post Reporter

The cabinet yesterday roundly condemned last Friday's resolution in the United Nations General Assembly linking Zionism with racism and said that the supporters of that resolution had "heaped shame upon themselves."

Zionism is the liberation movement of the Jewish people, the cabinet said in a communique issued after yesterday's weekly session. The Jewish people was, and still is, the first victim of racism, the communique said.

The director-general of the Foreign Ministry, Yosef Clechano, who attended yesterday's session, gave ministers the background to Friday's vote on the resolution.

The main vote was 111-4 with 28 abstentions. The specific paragraph naming Zionism won Israel a little more support, in a separate vote of 108-11 with 14 abstentions.

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With great sorrow we announce the passing of  
**Captain Martin Eckdish**  
(in the U.S.)  
Details of the funeral will follow.  
The bereaved: his wife Ise, children Judy and Allan Ford (U.S.), daughter Ruthi, grandchildren Michal and Jonathan

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Liberals fume at Ehrlich's 'treachery' It's Shamir or Arens for foreign minister

By SARAH HONIG Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — Only two candidates are being considered right now for the vacant post of foreign minister — Knesset Speaker Yitzhak Shamir and Moshe Arens, chairman of the Knesset Foreign Affairs and Defence Committee...

Burg: Khalil's remarks no contribution to talks

Jerusalem Post Reporter Interior Minister Yosef Burg, who heads Israel's team to the autonomy talks with Egypt, last night criticized Saturday's statements by Egyptian Prime Minister Moustapha Khalil about the consequences of failure in the talks...

Drivers back at work but TA trash still piling up

By MICHAEL YUDELMAN Jerusalem Post Reporter TEL AVIV. — The huge piles of garbage which have become part of the landscape during the last 10 days are destined to grow even bigger. Although the city's 250 garbage truck drivers returned to work yesterday, the dispute between them and the Tel Aviv Municipality is far from over...

Lieutenant was too sloppy to be true

AFULA (Itm). — An escaped 29-year-old convict from Beersheba prison was captured early Sunday morning after unsuccessfully trying to impersonate an army lieutenant. An unkempt-looking officer, armed with a Galil assault rifle, aroused the suspicions of a police patrol at the Ta'anach junction on Saturday afternoon...

TA man held in heroin smuggling

TEL AVIV (Itm). — A Tel Aviv resident suspected of involvement in a "Turkish Connection" to smuggle 1.5 kg. of heroin into the country was remanded into 10 days' custody by a local magistrate yesterday. Police say Carmelit Mahwitl of Rehov Derech Hashalom was linked with other suspects already arrested. "Serious pushers" had already gone to Turkey a few times and brought back heroin, police said.



Rabbi Meir Kahane leans out the window to get a closer look at the military order barring him from crossing the Green Line on the Jerusalem-Ramallah road yesterday. (Zoom 77)

Kahane kept away from Eilon Moreh

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter Kach movement leader Rabbi Meir Kahane yesterday was prevented by security forces from reaching the Gush Etzion settlement at Eilon Moreh and from trying to "persuade" Nabius Mayor Bassam Shak'a to leave the country "of his own free will."

Drivers: 'Be careful, let children grow up'

By YA'ACOV FRIEDLER Jerusalem Post Reporter Children aged three to 10 make up 25 per cent of the pedestrians killed or injured in road accidents in Israel — and the five, six and seven year olds are the most accident prone. These are some of the findings of an exhaustive study by two experts at the Technion's Road Safety Centre, Alan Katz and Alit Elgrichi. This week — which corresponds to Hanukka vacation in the schools — is Road Safety Week. Its slogan is, "Give the Children a Chance to Grow Up."

Halfon says defence costs broke him

Ya'acov Halfon, a former aide of MK Shmuel Flatto-Sharon, who is on trial with him in Jerusalem for alleged bribes in the 1977 Knesset elections, was granted permission yesterday to cross-examine witnesses himself because he could no longer afford to pay his lawyers. He explained to Magistrate Ruth Orr that because of the charges against him he hadn't been able to work for two years. His lawyers will resume work when defence witnesses are examined.

In deep sorrow, we announce the passing, after a long illness, of our beloved husband, father and grandfather

JACOB GOLDBERG Funeral today, Monday, December 17, 1979, at 4.00 p.m., at the New Funeral Parlour, Shamgar Street, Romema, Jerusalem. Shiva: 8 Harav Chen Street, Jerusalem. Wife, Esther Samuel and Marsha Goldberg, New York Shanny and David Levin, New Jersey. Malka and Simcha Mandelbaum, Jerusalem and the grandchildren

The Israeli Sea Officers Union and its Members

share the grief of the family on the tragic death of their friend and member Captain AHARON MARANI and his wife ZOHARA

In deep sorrow, I announce the untimely passing of my dear mother

JUDITH SLAP The funeral will take place at the Holon Cemetery on Tuesday, December 18 at 2 p.m. Shiva at Apartment 26, No. 11 Rehov Bavli, Tel Aviv. Mourned by Daughter and son-in-law: Giselle and Jean-Paul Zimbris. Mother: Nora Slap. Brother: Albert Slap and the family in Israel and abroad

Settlers chase stone-hurlers

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter Jewish settlers and West Bank Arabs clashed yesterday when schoolgirls threw stones at a minibus carrying children from Beit El and Ofra, and adults in the bus chased and caught one of the attackers. The incident, the second of its kind in the last few weeks, occurred when the vehicle was passing the Jalazun refugee camp on the Ramallah-Nabulus road, often the site of such stone-throwing attacks. The vehicle halted after the first hail of stones, and two men ran after the girls, catching one of them inside the camp's secondary school. According to a military government spokesman, the settlers took one girl, whom they said they had identified as the leader of the stonethrowers, to the Ramallah police station.

Shak'a feted at banquet in the park

By IAN BLACK Jerusalem Post Reporter West Bank mayors yesterday continued their celebrations marking the release of Nabius Mayor Bassam Shak'a from jail almost two weeks ago. This time they met in the municipal park in El-Bira for a banquet for some 200 guests. The main speakers were Shak'a himself, who again thanked the people and his colleagues for securing his release, and Karim Khalaf and Ibrahim Tawil, the mayors of Ramallah and El-Bira. Thirty lambs were roasted. The Nabius mayor had been threatened with banishment and was warned after his release on December 5 to restrict himself to municipal affairs. However, last Wednesday he led a demonstration against the resiting of Eilon Moreh at Jabal Kabir. On Thursday he spoke at a public meeting in Jerusalem. On Friday he was guest of honour at a banquet organized by Hebron municipality. On Saturday he addressed students at Bir Zeit University. Some West Bank political sources have criticized these non-stop celebrations, noting that neither the economic situation nor Israel's ongoing settlement drive are reasons for self-congratulatory speeches and back-slapping. And, they add, while all speakers at these events are busy hailing the new-found unity between the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, the military authorities have prevented Gaza leaders from participating in the celebrations. Gaza Mayor Raashad Shawwa and the chairman of the area's Red Crescent Society, Dr. Haidar Abdel-Shah, have been told that they are not allowed to enter the West Bank without permission.

Sale of Chagall medals to continue

By JUDY SEGEL Jerusalem Post Reporter Korat Gag, the Ottoman society that began selling Chagall gold medals two months ago to finance housing for young couples, will continue to operate, chairman Fahiel Kadishai said yesterday. The society had decided last week to melt down over 8,000 of the medals to pay off debts. "The medals haven't been a big success so far," Kadishai conceded, "but we will keep going. We still have IL100m. worth of stock left." The society was established by Kadishai, Prime Minister Menachem Begin's closest aide, and by Meir Halevy, a businessman who has known Begin for 30 years. Despite a festive ceremony at the Knesset presided over by the prime minister, the society managed to sell only 400 of the 12,000 gold medallions designed by French artist Marc Chagall. Korat Gag had been paying nearly IL200,000 a month in interest to repay a loan, received from Bank Discount in order to buy \$1m. worth of gold for the medallions. To eliminate the debts, Kadishai explained, more than 8,000 of the medallions were melted down and sold. But since the price of gold has increased drastically over the past few months, Korat Gag made a profit of "over 100m." and will continue to sell the remaining medallions at the stated price of \$2,000 each until the end of this month. The price will probably rise next year.

Alleged rapist's clothes help lead to capture

TEL AVIV (Itm). — Clothing left behind by a would-be rapist at the scene of the crime helped lead to his capture, police said in Magistrates Court here yesterday. Judge Ephraim Shalev ordered him held for 15 days, and instructed that his trial be held within that time.

We share the grief of Mr. Joseph Szydlowski President of Bet Shemesh Engines Ltd. on the death of his beloved brother AHARON Member of Kvutzat Kinneret Bet Shemesh Engines Ltd. The Management and Employees

To Mr. Joseph Szydlowski President of Bet Shemesh Engines Ltd. Please accept my deepest sympathies on the passing of your beloved brother AHARON Member of Kvutzat Kinneret Aviva Shalif, General Manager of Bet Shemesh Engines Ltd.

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SOCIAL & PERSONAL Prof. Yitzhak Welts (microbiology) has been appointed dean of the Life Sciences Faculty at Tel Aviv University, succeeding Prof. Eliazar Kochva. Rabbi Kai-Chalm will speak about Hanukka at the "Ladies Night" of Rotary Jerusalem-West, tonight at 8 p.m. at the King David Hotel.

Phalangists say Syrian spy chief was assassinated Beirut's Phalangist radio said yesterday that Syria's intelligence chief in the northern district was assassinated in the northern city of Aleppo by dissident Moslems struggling against President Hafez Assad's regime. The radio has been broadcasting almost daily news of clashes between Syrian government troops and rebels. There has been no confirmation from any other source to these reports relayed by the station, which speaks for the Christian National Front opposing the Syrian presence in Lebanon. Yesterday's report said that the Aleppo assassins belonged to the Muslim Brotherhood movement and added that the movement, which is predominantly Sunni Muslim, has also killed five ranking members of Assad's minority Alewite Muslim sect.

Court clerk to jail TEL AVIV (Itm). — A Ramle court clerk convicted of pocketing about IL7,000 by cooking the books was sentenced yesterday in District Court here to three months in prison and fined IL10,000. Mosim Levy, 31, whose late father served as Ramle mayor, took his secretary in the criminal division from 1970 to 1977, and was in a position to collect fees. He admitted before Judge Haim Seiberg that in 1977 he altered entries in the records and stole funds.

Moshe Gidron, 75 Moshe Gidron, one of the first settlers of Jerusalem's Talpilot quarter and a leader of the Zionist Socialist movement in Hungary in the early part of the century, died last week at age 75 and was buried on Friday. He is survived by his wife, son Micha Gidron, head of the information department of the tourism branch of the Industry, Trade and Tourism Ministry, and several grandchildren.

Aharon Shidlovsky, 87 Jerusalem Post Reporter TIBERIAS. — Aharon Shidlovsky, one of 15 founding members of Kvutzat Kinneret in 1913, was buried yesterday in the Kibbutz cemetery on the banks of Lake Kinneret. He died on Friday at the age of 87. Born in Poland, he settled in Israel in 1911 and spent all his life working on the kibbutz. He is survived by his wife Aliza, two daughters, four grandchildren, a sister, Yael, and a brother, Yosef.



# HOME NEWS

## Direct mail to Egypt expected on Jan. 26

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Officials involved in the "normalisation" talks with Egypt expect the first mail to start flowing between the two countries on January 26, the day after the third stage of the peace treaty goes into effect, a Foreign Ministry source told *The Jerusalem Post* yesterday.

At the same time, or shortly afterwards, the source said, land traffic should start between the two countries. However, drivers may find it difficult to arrange for licensing and insurance requirements for their cars.

The Foreign Ministry team in the normalisation talks, which will leave tomorrow to meet with the Egyptian minister of state for foreign affairs, Boutros Ghali, will have the following on its agenda: diplomatic and consular relations, trade links, freedom of movement, postal service and telecommunications, and transport and air service.

As far as Israel is concerned, many of these areas should be normalised late in January or early in February. But some Egyptians have said that it will take six months to even begin negotiations on some points.

Israel believes that Egypt should immediately cancel all discriminatory barriers and economic boycotts still in force, and repeal all the clauses in international agreements, which discriminate against Israel.

As for the Israeli ambassador to Cairo (unofficially tipped as Eliahu Ben-Elissar), the ministry source expects him to present his credentials on February 26, as the culmination of the normalisation process in diplomatic affairs. At the same time, Israelis wishing to visit Egypt will have to make their applications directly to the Egyptian consular authorities, rather than through the Israel Foreign Ministry as now.

However, the source does not expect Israelis to be able to visit Egypt without visas. There are few countries that Israelis can enter without visas, the source pointed out, and even nationals of other Arab states are subject to strict Egyptian visa control.

One point to be raised by the Israeli negotiators, the source said, is the possibility that Israelis on group tours and excursions can enter Egypt on group visas.



Reciting the Hanukka blessing outside the Temple Mount yesterday, from right to left, are Avraham Sheiser, Yitzhak Shmueli, Jerusalem city councilman Gershon Salomon (Rahabim Israel).

## Betar men keep the embers glowing—again

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A handful of aging Betar Movement members who said they were trying "to keep the embers glowing" yesterday held candle-lighting ceremonies at the entrance to the Temple Mount, while below, at the foot of the Western Wall, hundreds of children and adults gathered to light the *Hanukkiya* with Chief Rabbi Shlomo Goren.

"It's almost a routine affair," said one of the policemen to a younger colleague, as they barred entrance through the narrow doorway of the Moors Gate to the half-dozen Betar men who gathered yesterday afternoon. "Every holiday it's the same thing. They want to blow a shofar inside — to show Jewish presence. At Succot it's palm branches. At Hanukka it's menorahs."

The only thing that broke the routine for the policemen were the private efforts of one religious man, who stood barefoot on the cold stone, wearing a faded blue beret, wrapped in a *tallit* and breathily trying to get a tone from a shofar. Exhorting a non-existent crowd, the man occasionally tried to break through the police guard, but the six burly policemen easily rebuffed him.

The Betar members were divided on whether to try to gain entrance to the Temple Mount. When they finally decided to hold the candle-lighting ceremony, the *tallit*-wrapped man asked them to wait while he brought "some young people."

He soon came back up the hill with six school-age teenagers. The six Sephardi youths stood patiently at the side of the Betar men, who occasionally broke into Yiddish as they tried to decide on the formalities of the ceremony. When one of the Betar men pulled out a photocopied page of the Talmud — which, according to the man, contained passages from Maimonides explaining why Jews should be allowed access to the Temple Mount — the half-dozen youngsters began arguing among themselves and with the Betar man over the issue.

"The chief rabbi says we shouldn't be up here because we don't know where the Holy of Holies was," said one of the teenagers.

Meanwhile, Betar veteran Yitzhak Shmueli, perennial demonstrator of Jerusalem, handed out the text of the traditional song, "Maos Tzur." He offered copies to the impassive policemen, who outnumbered the Betar demonstrators, and who turned him down. But a passing non-Jewish tourist, disappointed that he couldn't get into the Temple Mount to see the menorahs, took one of the texts, holding it upside down until one of the Jews turned it rightside up again.

It was chilly at the top of the path leading to the entrance, and the men quickly dispersed after lighting the three candles of a large brass *Hanukkiya*. None of them went to see Rabbi Goren, who, down below, at the foot of the Wall, told the hundreds of people who gathered that "the fight of the Hasmonaens continues."

While Goren spoke into a microphone that boomed his voice across the windy and chilly plaza, a group of black-frocked Eder Haredi religious (and anti-Zionist) zealots praying in a corner of the plaza next to the wall, in turn raised their voices, apparently trying to drown out the voice of the (nationalist) chief rabbi.

And from the Temple Mount came the electronically amplified wail of the muezzin, calling Moslems to prayer.

## U.S. businessmen to put \$500m. into housing here

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Construction and Housing Minister David Levy has negotiated deals with private American businessmen to invest \$500m. in housing in Israel over the next 10 to 15 years and to issue bonds for the financing of rental flats here, according to a ministry spokesman.

Levy was invited to Washington by Commerce Secretary-designate Philip Klutznick, a Chicago builder who also has holdings in Israel. Along with Dan Halperin, Israel's economic minister at the embassy in Washington, Levy reached agreement with a number of mostly Jewish businessmen willing to grant loans for housing construction here.

Levy's spokesman would not divulge the names of the investors, but asserted that they expect to make a profit on the investment and do not view it as a charitable enterprise.

Klutznick asked an American team to sit with an Israeli team led by Halperin to work out details.

In addition, Levy also discussed the issue of American bonds to collect capital that would be used to build rental housing in Israel. The scheme is made possible by U.S. tax laws that encourage investment in rental housing even outside the Israel government and by Israel Bonds, which is not directly involved but might lose customers who invest in the new type of bonds instead.

The agreement was reached after a series of meetings between Levy and a number of unnamed investors in Jerusalem a few months ago.

Israel's economic mission in Washington will work out details of the agreement.

## Mekorot closing the taps

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — A number of towns — including Petah Tikva, Ramle, Be'er Brak and Or Yehuda — will have their water supply severely curtailed because they have not been paying their bills, a spokesman for Mekorot, the national water company, said yesterday.

Spokesman Mordechai Yakobovitch said that Mekorot would provide these towns with water only four hours a day, two in the morning and two in the evening, until they paid their bills.

He said the debts of these towns and other consumers had already mounted into millions of pounds.

Mekorot has also cancelled its agreements with regional water cooperatives (who "buy" the water from Mekorot and supply it to rural settlements) who are in arrears. The spokesman said that, in one case, a cooperative paid only after being taken to court.

From now on, he said, Mekorot will collect its water payment from each settlement individually.

## IL100m. okayed for J'lem Project Renewal activities

By ROBERT ROSENBERG  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

A IL100m. Project Renewal investment in seven Jerusalem slum neighbourhoods was approved this week by the programme's Jerusalem district steering committee. Community participation in determining spending priorities will be "significant," city officials said.

A new traffic plan, pedestrian walkways and gardens are slated for the Shmuel Hanavi quarter, where last month's anti-government demonstrations ended with a burnt-out police car. The neighbourhood's sewerage system is to be repaired, and worn out water pipes will be replaced. A commercial centre blueprint will also be drawn up as part of the Project Renewal investment.

In the Bukharan Quarter and in Beit Yisrael, day-care centres will be built, along with playground facilities and two kindergartens. In four other neighbourhoods, foundation work will be laid for larger future projects, the steering committee said.

While Jerusalem Project Renewal activities are officially under the wing of Prazot, the municipal-government housing company, City Hall officials are quick to note that, within the planning and implementation of the projects, local representatives sit on the steering committee; and ad hoc consultations with various interest groups, such as Obel, the self-help community organization, have also contributed to the programme, city officials said.

Prazot director-general Micha Kenet said yesterday that within the next few weeks Project Renewal in the city "will enter the operative stage," following a year of planning. As part of that implementation, Prazot promises to erect billboards in the various neighbourhoods, where posters, bulletins and notices to the community about Project Renewal programmes will be posted.

## Nissim, Ehrlich want 'real' rents

Jerusalem Post Staff

Minister without Portfolio Moshe Nissim has described the economic cabinet's decision to link the rents of protected tenants to the consumer price index as "laughable," and asked that they be raised to the real value of housing.

Deputy Prime Minister Shimon Ehrlich announced Nissim's request yesterday at a meeting in Givatayim, where he supported the proposal.

Nissim reportedly said controlled rents were out of all proportion to other rents and favoured a small population at the expense of the majority of tenants.

Rent for private and state-owned key money flats went up a week ago 43 per cent, which is 70 per cent of the index rise from June 1978 to October 1979.

## Farmers defend subsidies, see shortages

By YITZHAK OKED  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — "We will not stick our necks out to be slaughtered," Moshav Movement secretary Ariel Nehamkin told reporters yesterday at the Histadrut's Agricultural Centre.

Commenting on the catastrophic situation in agriculture, Nehamkin said that farmers do not have anything against Agriculture Minister Ariel Sharon. "He is supporting us all the way. His problem is that he doesn't seem to have any government support, and we are feeling the results."

Nehamkin claimed that more and more farms were being forced to close down for lack of credit and low profits. If a solution is not found in the next three to four months, he said, about half of all farms may have to close down. And shortages of certain food products — such as meat — will occur in eight or nine months.

As an example of the government's irrational policy, he pointed to the recent abolition of milk and dairy product subsidies. It saved the government about IL4b., he said but cost IL8b. IL4b. to wage-earners as price increase compensation and IL4b. to cover increases in linked bond prices. "This is not the way to fight inflation," he asserted.

Agricultural Centre secretary-general Simha Assaf said that the worst thing about the present situation is not the financial losses, but the fact that the farmers have become bitter and have lost their self-confidence. "When they rise early in the morning, they ask themselves if it is worthwhile to go out to work at all, because they claim that the more they work the more they lose."

Yehuda Sa'adi, head of the Agricultural Centre's economic department, criticized the government for cancelling subsidies, which he said are important both for the consumer and for the farmer.

Subsidies lower retail prices, stabilize production and ensure a steady flow of goods, he argued. Otherwise a "see-saw" process occurs, with periodic shortages, accompanied by skyrocketing prices, followed by overproduction, with farmers destroying produce to support price levels.

As an example, he gave the government's decision last year to discourage growing sugar beets, because the world price of sugar was about \$290 a ton, and Israeli farmers could produce only at \$400 a ton. Now the price would world price of sugar is \$450 a ton, but the farmers did not plant any sugar beets because of lack of government support.

Sa'adi further complained that, between 1977 and 1979, the Israel pound was devalued by 78 per cent, while expenses in the agricultural sector increased by 129 per cent. "Because of this gap, farmers lost IL2.3b. during the last export season, a heavy loss considering that exports make up about 85 per cent of their total production."

He demanded that, if the government could not close this gap, it should give farmers and other exporters an equivalent incentive. He also demanded that the government pass a law to encourage agricultural exports as much as industrial ones.

## Cruise to Egypt postponed

By HAIM SHAPIRO  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

The inaugural voyage of the first Israel-sponsored cruise to Egypt has again been postponed this time indefinitely, because of delays in receiving visas for the passengers.

The cruise, on the Greek ship *Melody*, was due to set out last Friday. When no confirmation came through on the visa applications, the company put off the sailing, only to reschedule it for today upon receiving assurances that all the visa applications were being approved.

On Saturday Kopel Tours again received a telex from the Egyptians, this time to the effect that they could not guarantee that all those who had asked for visas would indeed receive them. The visa applications are submitted through the Israel Foreign Ministry, which acts as a consular service for the Egyptians. According to Foreign Ministry officials, it usually takes from six weeks to two months for an answer to come through on a visa application.

The spokesman for the company said yesterday that Kopel would now only schedule the cruise for a week after all the would-be passengers had their visas in hand.

## English coach appointed to national soccer team

By PAUL KOEN  
Post-Sports Reporter

TEL AVIV — The Football Association yesterday unanimously voted to appoint Jack Mansell as coach of the Israel national soccer team.

Mansell was informed of this decision in London yesterday evening, and said that he would arrive here on Friday and start work immediately.

The 52-year-old English coach will prepare the national team for its World Cup qualifying matches. The first one is against Northern Ireland at Ramat Gan on March 28. The national side will make its first appearance under assa Moenchengladbach at Ramat Gan on January 9.

The FA management yesterday reversed its previous decision regarding Mansell's appointment after the coach agreed to take a substantial cut in salary. Mansell, who has coached in England, the U.S., Greece and Bahrain, will receive \$1,250 a month. His initial contract will be for six months.

Mansell will see an Israeli league match on Saturday.

It was also announced yesterday that Barry Silkman, the transferred Manchester City forward in whom Tel Aviv Maccabi are interested, will arrive here within two days to join Maccabi players in training.

Maccabi's soccer boss, Eliezer Wakman, said that Silkman, 27, will remain for several days, "during which we will have talks with the player and also see him in action."

Manchester City bought Silkman from Plymouth for £20,000 and are reported to be asking £60,000 for the forward, who is the only Jewish player in the English first division. Silkman has expressed his readiness to play for Tel Aviv Maccabi. If he settles here, he may be eligible to play for Israel in World Cup matches. If Tel Aviv Maccabi signs him, Silkman will be the first professional footballer bought by an Israeli club.

## Parleys aimed at fighting assimilation

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

Two international conferences aimed at recommending ways to reduce assimilation in the Diaspora, and preparing materials for Jewish studies courses in universities around the world will be held at the end of this month at Beit Hanassi.

Details of the conferences, which are being funded by the World Zionist Organization and the World Jewish Congress, were outlined last week by President Yitzhak Navon.

The first conference, scheduled for December 25-26, will bring to Jerusalem 25 academics and public figures representing some of the 560 universities abroad that offer Jewish studies courses. They will meet with Israeli counterparts to prepare bibliographies and curricula for those universities that ask for them.

The fifth International Seminar on World Jewry and the State of Israel, to be attended by 100 experts, will take place from December 30 through January 2 and will be devoted to assimilation.

## Traffic still snarled in new TA routes

Jerusalem Post Reporter

TEL AVIV — Tel Aviv's business centre was one big traffic jam yesterday with short-tempered motorists hooting their horns in frustration at the long delays caused by last Thursday's introduction of what the municipality called "a one-way revolution."

The worst snarl developed around Habimah Theatre with cars trying to crawl into the new roundabout from five different directions. "It took me 45 minutes to drive from Habimah to Rehov Carlebach," one driver said, referring to the distance of a three-minute walk.

Deputy Mayor David Shifman, architect of the scheme, still maintained that the new arrangements were "100 per cent (OK) from a professional point of view." But this comment provided scant comfort to the thousands of people who found themselves stuck tight at the approaches to dozens of newly created bottlenecks.

A bus driver said that it had taken him over an hour to drive from Tel Aviv to Ramat Gan. "There used to be several alternative routes northwards," he said, but "now all cars are forced to use either the main Petah Tikva road or Rothschild Boulevard."

Shifman had warned that drivers would need two or three days to get used to the new arrangements, but the traffic jams have shown no sign of diminishing so far. Shifman said yesterday that the municipality engineering department was following the traffic flow, and that changes would be made if deemed necessary.

## Local expert gets prize for anti-drug techniques

TEL AVIV (Him) — The head of Jerusalem's centre for the treatment of drug addicts yesterday received recognition for his work from the American Federal Institute for the Prevention of Drug Addiction.

Prof. Shlomo Eisenstadt, who edits three international publications on drug addiction and participates in five others, said his method involves counselling of addicts as much as possible, rather than treatment with other drugs.

DONATION — A group of children between the ages of eight and 12 has donated IL50,000 to help people with cystic fibrosis. The group gave the proceeds of several bazaars to a representative of Rotary at a meeting in Givatayim on Thursday.

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Last-ditch effort in Rhodesia

LONDON (UPI). — Britain, undeterred by collapse of the three-month-old Rhodesia conference, resumed secret talks with the Patriotic Front guerrillas yesterday in a last-ditch bid to patch together a cease-fire agreement, and officials said they were optimistic of success by midweek.

ment with the Salisbury delegation, which then flew home, saying its job was completed. Carrington left with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher yesterday for talks with President Carter in Washington. But he said, "I am not giving up. I am going on trying. But how long can we go on?"

"assembly places" in which the guerrillas would have to gather during the cease-fire. Britain, saying that according to its information the number of guerrillas inside Rhodesia does not exceed 17,000, proposed 13 such "assembly places" and that they should be sited near the borders with neighboring Zambia and Mozambique.

Shah 'happy to be' in new island home

ISLA CONTADORA, Panama (Reuters). — The deposed shah of Iran went for a stroll around his new Pacific island sanctuary of Isla Contadora and told reporters he was happy to be here and was sure he would have a wonderful time in Panama.

what the doctor had ordered. "Isla Contadora is the ideal place for him." The former monarch is expected to live for the time being in a two-story house belonging to Washington, Gabriel Lewis Galindo.

The statement, issued under Armao's name, said: "Iran must secure a stable civilian government because it cannot assume its proper place in the world community while it is being led by a religious fanatic."



Palestinians and pro-Palestinian Greek Cypriots carry the coffin of one of the two Palestine Liberation Organization officials slain on Saturday in Nicosia. The coffin was taken to Beirut yesterday, accompanied by a representative of the Cypriot government. (UPI telephoto)

4 Yule carollers leap to their deaths

MIAMI (Reuters). — Four Christmas carol singers jumped to their deaths from a hot-air balloon yesterday after it struck a power line and caught fire.

people on the ground from a height of about 30 metres when the balloon's wicker gondola hit the power line and burst into flames. The balloon came down in an orange grove.

525 rescued from runaway barge

ABERDEEN, Scotland (Reuters). — A fleet of helicopters flew a shuttle service over the storm-lashed North Sea to rescue 525 oil men from a giant runaway barge.

The barge when it went adrift in 12-metre waves. Twelve helicopter pilots each made two trips to land on the heaving deck of the barge and fly the men back to Aberdeen. No one was injured and a Texaco spokesman said: "The pilots did a tremendous job. To fly in this weather at all was a feat."

'No commissions' in Egypt phone deal

CAIRO (AP). — A consortium of three European companies yesterday denied any payment of commissions in connection with a \$1.5-billion telephone deal that has come under fire by opposition politicians.

took to review the contract, one of the largest since Egypt's 1975 "open door" economic policy began. In a statement distributed to reporters by a Khalifi aide, Siemens AG of West Germany, its Austrian affiliate and Thomson CSF of France denied any commissions were given.

Castro frees 62 political prisoners

HAVANA (UPI). — Sixty-two political prisoners and their families were flown to Miami on Saturday as part of an agreement between Fidel Castro's government and a group of Cuban exiles, Cuba's Prensa Latina news service said.

South Korean retains flyweight ring title

PUSAN, South Korea (Reuters). — South Korea's Park Chan Hee overcame a first round knockout to retain his World Boxing Council (WBC) flyweight championship by knocking out Guty Espadas of Mexico yesterday.

U.S. clinches its 26th Davis Cup win

SAN FRANCISCO (UPI). — Stan Smith and Bob Lutz defeated Adriano Panatta and Paolo Bonicini of Italy, 6-4, 12-10, 6-3, Saturday to give the U.S. its second straight and 26th Davis Cup championship.

IRA land mine kills 4 British soldiers

BELFAST (UPI). — Four British soldiers were killed yesterday in the explosion of a land mine planted by the Irish Republican Army. The soldiers were riding in a Land Rover patrolling a main road when a 225-kilo land mine was detonated by remote control near Dungannon, 28 km. southwest of Belfast.

U.S.: 5,000 Soviet troops now stationed in Afghanistan

WASHINGTON. — At least 5,000 Soviet military personnel, more than 1,000 of them combat troops, are in Afghanistan, and the buildup is continuing, the State Department said on Saturday.

resistance in the southeastern city of Kandahar, according to a report received last weekend in India. The incident, which reportedly led to the shooting deaths of at least 17 officers, erupted after army authorities jailed 65 soldiers, all university graduates, who refused to sign papers extending their military service until the 19-month-old civil war ended, a reliable source said.

Relief to Kampuchea 'obstructed'—U.S.

WASHINGTON (UPI). — The U.S. has "overwhelming" intelligence evidence that Kampuchea and its Vietnamese allies are obstructing international relief efforts to feed starving Kampuchean, the State Department said on Saturday.

ing in Kampuchea. "We have intelligence reports about this, some of which are conflicting, but overwhelming evidence points to an obstruction of the international relief efforts by the Vietnamese and Heng Samrin authorities," the department said.

Tanzania troops stage pitch battle in Uganda

KAMPALA (Reuters). — Police fired into the air and troops were called in to break up a battle on Saturday between rival soccer fans at a friendly match between Ugandan and Tanzanian teams.

players were taken to hospital. Eyewitnesses said fighting also broke out in the crowd. Police fired warning shots and lorryloads of Tanzanian troops were rushed to Kampala's Nakivubo stadium to restore order.

Philippine forces kill Moslem rebels

MANILA (UPI). — Government forces shot and killed six Filipino Moslem rebels and sank a guerrilla speedboat loaded with smuggled arms from a foreign country, military sources said yesterday.

The identity of the foreign country where the alleged arms shipment originated was not disclosed. But military authorities recently accused Malaysian officials of allowing Filipino Moslem insurgents to use their territory as a rebel sanctuary.

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The South Tyrone branch of the Provisional Irish Republican Army took responsibility for the action. The incident took place as the IRA said it would not observe a Christmas cease-fire in its campaign to drive the British out of Northern Ireland.

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# Context

## Anti-Establishment Zionism

By JUDY SIEGEL/Jerusalem Post Reporter

THE ALIYA activists of Telem, the new "Movement for Zionist Fulfillment," are today as outnumbered by the Zionist Establishment as Zionist pioneers were a minority among the Jewish people almost a century ago.

Yet despite the fact that Telem has attracted just 200 paid-up members since it was founded last May in San Francisco, the organization regards itself as the warm, beating heart in the body of the "Zionist movement," whose Aya, Telem believes, are numbered.

The Zionist movement, according to Michael Reiner, one of Telem's founders, largely means "people in their 60s and 70s who fly to Jerusalem every four years for the Zionist Congress and talk and talk and Zionist federations abroad that live off World Zionist Organization funds and Zionist party politics and whose members don't come on aliya."

Reiner, who recently returned from Los Angeles, where he was an emissary of the WZO's Youth and Hekhalutz Department, asks: "What's the difference between 'leaders of the Zionist movement' in America and leaders of the local Jewish federations that collect money for Israel and offer political support?"

TELEM (an acronym for "Telem Le-Zionut Magshimit") the word itself meaning "furrow" or "much-travelled path" was established by the Zionist Congress itself.

As a result of pressure from the minority of young Congress delegates, Resolution 101 was passed almost as an afterthought at a late hour when many older delegates had gone to bed.

The resolution called for the establishment of a non-partisan, autonomous movement dedicated to Zionist fulfillment — meaning aliya.

The founding conference of Telem took place on a weekend in May and was attended by 100 persons ranging in views from Hashomer Hatsair on the left to Gush Emunim on the right.

In sessions that went into the small hours of the morning, delegates decided that Telem would make aliya its top priority and require all members to come on aliya within six years of joining — 18 months of that time to be spent in Israel for aliya preparation. Names of those who do not fulfill this primary requirement would be dropped from the rolls.

Todd Warnick, another founding member who came on aliya last

July and is now studying public administration at the Hebrew University, told the delegates that the leaders of Israel should stop ignoring the elements of Jewry who are willing to make a personal commitment to Israel.

Since no Jewish organization can operate without money, and since "we are the heart of the Zionist movement," according to Reiner, Telem asked for funding from the World Zionist Organization. It receives about \$30,000 a year, while the North American Aliya Movement (NAAM), which is an arm of the WZO and operated by paid employees rather than by volunteers, receives an annual budget of \$100,000.

"We will take dictates from no one on the outside," state the organization's founders.

REINER estimates that there are 5,000 to 10,000 Jewish students in the U.S. who are active in campus Zionist activities. He expects that Telem can attract 3,500 members by the end of 1980 and thus have a

"critical mass" that would make Telem a strong and effective organization. Since members are committed to aliya within six years of joining, it will need constant infusions of new blood.

Telem's main activity is *Hugrei beyit* (meetings in homes), each of which begin with a Hebrew lesson. Zionist ideology, current events in Israel and practical advice for planning aliya are offered.

Telem also advocates the creation of aliya councils in each Jewish federation, staffed by volunteers who are sympathetic to the cause.

The Telem founders also want to set up "family support groups" that would provide five minutes of free telephone time per month to families of olim who can't afford to call their relatives in Israel regularly, and to provide a nationwide toll-free number that could disseminate information about daily events in Israel.

Another aim of the organization is to increase awareness of Israel in American Jewish community centres through the use of "Israel corners" and bilingual signs, for example.

TELEM MEMBERS who are "coming on aliya are being asked to continue their activity in Israel by educating Israeli students about aliya and the Diaspora, pressuring schools to offer more special services to olim and organizing Israeli high schoolers for volunteer work among olim.

THE FIRST BIG winter rains arrived a little late, but not too late to benefit our fields and gardens. They not only washed the dust from the leaves and refreshed plants, but also penetrated deeper to shrub and tree roots. We can only hope that this welcome start is the harbinger of more rain; and the drought of last year will not be repeated.

Gardeners should exploit the planting period for shrubs and trees beginning the second half of December and reaching its climax on Tu B'Shvat in early February. Soon professional nurseries and garden centres will be offering grafted dormant rose bushes and later deciduous fruit trees and grape vines.

Rose cultivation is more than 4,000 years old and flourished in ancient Egypt and Babylon. It is believed that the ancient Israelites brought the rose with them out of Egypt. Jericho was once famous for its rose gardens, as incidentally, was Rhodes, named from *rhodon*, the Greek word for rose.

"I am the rose of Sharon," the girl in the Song of Songs (2:1) proudly exclaims. And the prophet Isaiah describes the state of bliss his people will enjoy after the end of all tribulations, with this poetic image: "The desert shall rejoice and bloom as a rose" (35:1).

Modern botanists identified the biblical rose as an *asphodel* (*Asphodel in Hebrew*), a member of the lily tribe. It is evident, however, that roses have long grown wild in this country (*rosa phoenicia* and *rosa canina* — "The Plants of Palestine" by A. Eng. M. Zohary and N. Feinbrun, Hebrew University Press, Jerusalem, 1931), and are still widely used by Israeli rose breeders. *Rosa canina* is the best all-around stock, suitable for Hybrid Tea and other rose graftings. Roses budded on this stock generally transplant well, and usually maintain their vigour longer than those grafted on other stocks.

Classification of modern garden roses began only in the last century after the following species came to Europe from China: pink roses (*rosa chinensis* (also called *indica*); red roses (*rosa sempervirens* (also called *china* rose); and the fragrant tea rose (*rosa odorata*). No one knows the origin of the cultivated rose. It has been traced and recognized so often that it is impossible to state with certainty what was its wild prototype. When and where somebody succeeded in transforming the inconspicuous heath-rose into the "queen of flowers" remains an unsolved mystery. We do know that the first great step forward in this cultivation came in 1865 when the Frenchman, E. Guillot de Lyons introduced the "La France" variety after crossing a hybrid of *rosa gallica* and *rosa indica* with a tea rose from China, creating the forerunner of the great modern rose, known as the Hybrid Tea. It combines the much-admired properties of continuous flowering, delicate colours and strong fragrance.

The International Board of Rose Growers, which decided to hold its next world congress in 1981 in Jerusalem, introduced the following classification of rose groups, which is used by rose growers here.

## Coming up roses

GARDENER'S CORNER  
Walter Frankl



spring is very short. Height is nearly unlimited, and they sometimes reach 10-20 metres.

Mistatures. About 60 years ago a Swiss gardener, Dr. A. Roulet, by chance came across a small rose plant and propagated from it the first miniature rose, which has become most popular. Dwarf shrubs with many unscented flowers. Blooms in pink, red, white and orange and, for the first time in blue ("Lavender Luck" from the 1880 collection). Useful for planting in large pots and balcony containers, as well as for rock gardens and low borders. Suitable for flower decoration, bridal bouquets or hanging baskets. Average height: 20 - 50 cm.

TO GET the best from each rose plant, it is essential to keep to the rules and to make all preparations accordingly. Roses need a sunny spot and should have no competition from strong roots of old trees. It is necessary to study all rose requirements for soil and position before actually planting. Here are some important particulars:

Dig a hole for every plant, about 70 cm deep and 80 cm wide and fill it half-full with a soil mixture of two-thirds sieved red soil or loam and one-third well-rotted cow dung or compost. Set in the plant so that the grafting — a visible thickening on the main stem — sits exactly at ground level.

Be sure the plant stands straight up in the centre of the hole. When it is in position, put some of the soil mixture over the roots and "dance" the dormant bush up and down to press the soil all round the roots to avoid air pockets.

Follow the fine earth with heavier soil, that dug up in making the planting hole. Continue filling the hole, but not higher than the grafting point of the plant.

Water slowly (best done with a watering can), giving the water a chance to sink down, rather than washing the earth away by too strong a stream from your hose. Prune back the tops of all just planted rose bushes to little more than 30 cm above the ground. Use your hoe to mound up more soil (about 10-15 cm high) around the new plant. This hill will last until the first bush becomes well-established as marked by the appearance of buds and leaves, and should be levelled out later.

One experienced and well-established nurseryman in Jerusalem gets his rose bushes from the Fisher nursery near Mt. Tabor in Galilee, where climatic and soil conditions are similar to those in Jerusalem. His menu card for 1980 is as follows:

Name	Gems	Characteristics
American Home	Tea	dark red, fragrant
Oklaoma	Hybrid	crimson, large flowers
Pharos	"	red, very large flowers
San Francisco	"	red, very large flowers
Maria Callas	"	pink
Atara	"	red-white, fragrant
Confident	"	pink
Scarlet Night	"	pink
"H2"	Polyantha	dark red
Ester Ofarim	Chimber	orange
Isenberg	"	white
Talman	"	orange
Chrysler	"	red, fragrant
Zwerg Koenig	Miniature	red
Yellow doll	"	yellow
White Aster	"	white
Lavender Luck	"	blue

His collection, one of the largest, also includes old favourites like *Frederick* (pink-orange); *Montezuma* (red-pink); *King's Ransom* (yellow, fragrant); *rose Gaudier* (white red with large flowers); *Super Star* (salmon); *Rubayod* (pink); *Dr. Verhage* (light-yellow); and last but not least, the most perfect rose, *Peace* (white-yellowish).

What will be the cost this season? He is not quite sure, but he believes in the neighbourhood of IL30 a bush.

Music notes will appear tomorrow.

## TAXES AND DIAMONDS

LAW REPORT/Doris Lankein

In the Supreme Court sitting as the High Court of Justice, before Justices Kahn, Bechor and Beisky. Petitioner: *Mishapitim*, David. Respondents: *Ministry of Finance, S. Income Tax Commissioner, H.C. 651/79*.

THE HIGH COURT of Justice dismissed a petition calling on the Income Tax Commissioner to show cause why he should not take stronger measures for enforcing the income tax laws with respect to the diamond industry.

The petitioner has long been carrying on an abortive battle with the Income Tax authorities in an effort to get them to change their policy with respect to income tax payments by diamond dealers. The policy, he claims, results in concessions to the dealers that are not provided for by law. In particular, the petitioner alleges that the diamond merchants are not required to keep books or submit declarations of capital. In a letter he received from the Income Tax Commissioner, he was informed that the obligation to keep books, imposed by law on diamond merchants, as on all other merchants, had not been cancelled — nor could it be cancelled — but that because of the problems detailed in the letter, the diamond merchants who failed to keep books had as yet not been charged.

As for declarations of capital, the Income Tax Commissioner explained that for reasons set out in the letter, the diamond merchants had been given an extension of time for submitting such declarations.

These explanations failed to satisfy the petitioner. He petitioned the High Court of Justice for an order nisi calling upon the minister of finance and the Income Tax Commissioner to show cause why they should not exercise the powers given them by the Income Tax laws with respect to the diamond industry or alternatively, why he, himself, should not be granted the same special considerations as the diamond industry.

A. Oren appeared for the petitioner. JUSTICE KAHN, who delivered the reasoned opinion of the High Court, noted that the High Court had dismissed the petition on the day of hearing on the grounds of lack of

standing of the petitioner and had reserved its reasons.

In setting out these reasons, Justice Kahn first considered the petitioner's argument that he had standing by virtue of the fact that he held a leading position in the *Histadrut* and that as the national secretary of the *Civil Servants' Union* he represented thousands of government employees. With all due respect to the petitioner's public activities he held, the High Court could see no reason why this should vest him with standing in the present case. For the petition had been brought by the petitioner on his own initiative and not on behalf of the bodies and institutions in which he was active.

The petitioner based his right of standing, alternatively, on the fact that he is a taxpayer, continued Justice Kahn and he would therefore review the attitude of the High Court of Justice, as crystallized in previous cases, to citizens' right of standing by virtue only of the petitioners being tax-payers.

The High Court laid down in a leading decision delivered by President Agranat, he noted, that the general principle in deciding whether a petitioner has standing or not is whether he shows the existence of a real, direct interest in the issue, and not merely an indirect interest as a member of the general public affected by the conduct of a public authority (see H.C. 287/69, I.P.D. 24/387). The High Court had dealt with this subject on several occasions and their attitude to this question was succinctly summed up in an excellent article by Dr. Zernach in "Mishapitim" (No. 4/81), as follows: "In Israel, as in the U.S. a taxpayer will be granted a right of standing if the harm caused to him personally, even though it might be slight and unquantifiable, can be clearly defined and identified."

IN THE PRESENT case, held Justice Kahn, the question of the petitioner's right of standing depends on whether he can show exactly what harm was caused to him personally by the respondents' failure to apply the Income Tax laws to the diamond industry, on the assumption, without establishing any finding on the matter, that the diamond merchants did receive tax concessions not expressly provided for in the Income Tax Ordinance. The petitioner, in order to be entitled to a right of standing would, therefore, have had to show that if these concessions had not been granted, then the Treasury's revenue would have been increased and the tax burden on him would have been lightened (see also H.C. 40/70, I.P.D. 24/247).

This the petitioner had not succeeded in doing. For there is no certainty that if the respondents were to apply the Income Tax laws strictly to the diamond industry, they would thereby increase the state revenue. On the contrary, it was quite possible that there were very good grounds for the fear that enforcing the letter of the law would not only bring no perceptible benefits to the Treasury but that it could even, in the long run, decrease the revenue. So the petitioner could not possibly claim that his real and direct personal interests were being prejudiced by any failure to enforce the Income Tax laws in the present case.

This conclusion, Justice Kahn hastened to explain, did not mean that the High Court justified the perpetuation of a *status quo* contrary to law. It does mean, however, that the cure for this ill must be sought elsewhere, and not in the High Court, which is not intended to be used as an arena for deciding controversial public issues. At the same time, he stressed, it should be noted that the granting of tax con-

cessions above and beyond those specified in the law is not peculiar to Israel. In other countries renowned for their profound respect for the law — such as England, for example — the tax authorities have also come to the conclusion that it is often necessary to grant tax concessions not expressly provided for by law (see C.A. 581/78, I.P.D. 32/429).

The petitioner, therefore, had no right of standing as a tax-payer, held Justice Kahn.

Nor could he show the justice of the petitioner's alternative petition: to be granted the same concessions as the diamond merchants. The fact that the law is not implemented with respect to one class of persons does not vest anyone with the right to claim a similar exemption from the power of the law.

In conclusion, Justice Kahn dismissed the petitioner's counsel's plea that as the issue of the diamond industry's income tax payments is of great public importance, therefore even if the petitioner had not succeeded in satisfying the High Court that he had standing, he should be granted an order nisi on the off-chance that the respondents would raise the question of standing, as the High Court had done in other cases in the past.

He did not think, he held, that the respondents should be put to the trouble of answering an order nisi in a case such as the present one, where it was obvious that the petitioner had no standing, even if there had been occasions when the High Court had considered the merits of a petition only because the respondents had not raised the question of the petitioner's standing. Petition dismissed. Reasoned judgment given on October 15, 1979.

## Call it 'Yarabic'

LISTENING IN...Ze'ev Schul

HEARD just before the news on Thursday morning: an announcement of a later instalment of "Spoken Hebrew" (Wednesday, Second Programme after the 1600 newscast). Moderator Yitzhak Golan this week brought us ex-foreign ministers Eban and Dayan in a nearly hour-long discussion on autonomy. There was no beating around the bush. Which was what made the programme so enjoyable.

After Israel vacated the territories — and Eban thought this should be the government's policy — he foresaw the possibility of the territories in an alliance or association with Jordan and Israel along the lines of the Benelex courtes. Dayan dropped his guard for a moment when he asked what would happen to settlements beyond the '67 borders if Mr. Eban's plans were to be accepted. To which Eban replied with the inevitable — that Dayan hadn't been able to do much for Ophira or Yamit either.

As I said before, quite enjoyable and instructive. Personally I prefer these High

calibre discussions to the endless press conferences and cabinet meetings who have nothing new to say and Knesset members whom we have heard almost as often as the Hagahash Hahivur Tzi. Only the Knesset members aren't nearly as funny and certainly can't even hold a candle to the late Karel Solomon, whose absolutely hilarious "Santata for Three Men in a Boat" was re-broadcast ("When the Record Was Round," 0900-1000 hrs. Second Programme) on Saturday.

I LIKE "Religious News" broadcast after the 1800 news, Monday. Christmas is a bad time for converted Jews, according to a research study of a U.S. reform rabbi. Some 80 per cent of the *goyim* (and two-thirds of them are female) under 20 do not regret their conversion. But only 5 per cent of them are linked to any particular neighbourhood synagogue, as compared to 40 per cent for the born Jews. And need it be said that the majority of those few prefer alliance with reform synagogues?

ISRAEL'S religious women are disagreeing about whether they should dress fashionably or otherwise. MK Avraham Melamed's wife — one of the sponsors of a recent (Haifa and Netanya) show believes that there is no reason why a religious woman should not be fashionably dressed. Rebbezen Goren thinks otherwise. Moses, she is reported to have said at the Tel Aviv opening, would never have approved. It was only because of the modesty of the Jewish women that the Jews were allowed to leave Egypt.

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# Retired MD gives doll collection to Toy Fund

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# Money Matters



Model of attractive arrangement of terraced cottages and apartment buildings.

## Building against the trend

By JUDY SIEGEL  
Jerusalem Post Reporter

At a time when other builders are bemoaning the dearth of buyers, the Eiram housing corporation is going full speed ahead with a new project in Jerusalem's East Talpit quarter, whose first phase of 193 flats will cost IL500m.

"By the time the flats are finished in two years there will be demand for them. There will always be a shortage of flats in Jerusalem," asserts Matti Sagiv, director-general of the firm. Established in 1973, Eiram is owned by the Israel Corporation A, which is the financial backer, and by Ashrom, a contracting firm which is providing the professional expertise.

The sales slump that has suddenly developed in the housing sector is largely due to the freeze in credit and the skyrocketing flat prices that only the very wealthy or those eligible for government financial help can afford.

## Rassco has a IL100m. liquidity problem

By JOSEPH MORGENSTEIN  
Post Finance Reporter

TEL AVIV — Liquidity problems in the order of IL100m. have surfaced at the Rascos Rural & Suburban Settlement Company.

The current financial difficulties of Rascos are of major proportions and should not be taken lightly. Rascos is a large-scale employer, whose payroll includes somewhat under 2,000. Reports from within the company indicate that Rascos may find it difficult to meet current payrolls.

In addition to the company's immediate liabilities to contractors and suppliers are of major proportions. The credit freeze in effect now has resulted in outside pressures for an early settlement of the current debt position. Initial feelers sent out to the Jewish Agency for financial help have apparently been turned down.

It is unlikely that the Ministry of Housing, at a time when ministry budgets are slashed severely, will be able to solve Rascos's problems. In addition to the very real financial problems the company is troubled by management difficulties. Company insiders say Haim Brickman is an able engineer but the task of top management should be entrusted to an administrator.

It is further pointed out that actual management decisions are being taken by Haim Buchwald, currently serving as deputy general manager. Rumors have it that Brickman will shortly be asked to submit his resignation.

The company's housing construction programme is generally considered overly ambitious and out of tune with the times. Its stock of unsold apartments is about 750.

Sales of apartments in the luxury North Tel Aviv project are almost at a standstill. Work at the company's commercial project at Kiryat Motzkin has been stopped in the wake of the building freeze. A number of smaller projects are in similar circumstances.

Financial observers point out that Rascos is far from facing total collapse. The company has vast real estate holdings as well as a large securities portfolio. These could be sold off, though at less than satisfactory prices.

Perhaps what is most distressing, according to these financial observers, is that the lessons of the 1960s and 1960s have not been learned. Even if Rascos manages to overcome its pressing financial difficulties, it stands little chance of recovering its one-time eminence as a leading builder and real estate developer.

Rascos is one of the largest real estate development and construction companies in the country. It was originally established in 1954 by the Jewish Agency for Palestine, which to this day holds the majority of the equity and thus control of the company.

The company was founded for the purpose of providing living facilities for the settlement of immigrants primarily from Central Europe. When the State was established it expanded its activities to include the construction of urban housing and industry.

In the 1960s and 1960s the company expanded considerably beyond its financial resources and after losses had accumulated to about twice the original equity, the capital structure of Rascos was changed and the company was refinanced by the Jewish Agency.

The company's shares were registered for trading on the Tel Aviv Stock Exchange in 1969. Rascos's name spread to the North American continent as its shares were sold to investors in the U.S. and Canada. If not for this large degree of overseas ownership, it is more than likely that the massive building operation by the Jewish Agency would never have been undertaken.

## Big jump in maritime freight rates next month

Jerusalem Post Reporter

HAIFA — The maritime freight charges on all lines serving Israel will go up by 5 to 20 per cent on January 1. The Jerusalem Post learned last night.

Agreement on the rises was hammered out during more than a week of hard bargaining between the Shippers Council, which represents the importers and exporters, and the Shipping Conferences. The agreement was due to be signed last night.

The Post learned that the rises will be higher on import cargoes in order to help Israel's exports. The rate of increase will be adjusted to each route and will be highest on the Mediterranean lines, which are served mainly by Zim, the national shipping company, which has been steadily losing on the line, despite the lack of competition.

Another increase in the bunker oil surcharge went into effect yesterday increasing these costs by another 1 to 3 per cent. It was the seventh such rise this year, resulting from the increases in oil prices.

The Post learned that the new freight rates will raise the country's expenses for its foreign trade by about IL5b. in 1980. During the current year the maritime freight bill totalled almost IL20b.

## Lahat slams gov't on cash crisis

TEL AVIV (Him). — Pinning the blame for his city's financial crisis on the government, Tel Aviv Mayor Shlomo Lahat has vowed to carry his battle with the government to the bitter end.

Explaining that city budgets are pegged to an annual 58 per cent inflation rate, Lahat said that the Treasury recognizes an annual 120 per cent inflation rate for its policies, but only an 88 per cent rate for the cities.

"I won't sign any document that says inflation is only 88 per cent," Lahat said, explaining why he won't promulgate the Finance and Interior ministries not to go over his budget, in exchange for money needed to maintain services. He was speaking at the Engineers Club on Friday.

Lahat called on the Interior Ministry to recognize that Tel Aviv is unlike other cities. He said that while Jerusalem has some 20,000 automobiles passing through it daily, Tel Aviv has some 280,000. Tel Aviv has 170,000 tons of garbage to dispose of annually, while Jerusalem has only 90,000 tons. Lahat said. And he noted that when the Interior Ministry deals with urban problems, it lumps all the cities together and then averages, instead of relating to each as a separate entity.

"We're all for savings, and we're for it, but not while the entire country enjoys the services of Tel Aviv," Lahat said.

## Rotary to encourage youth for industry

Rotary clubs here plan to take practical steps to encourage youngsters to join industry, District Governor David Neuman told the Jerusalem Club last week. "The East Man for Industry" campaign will begin after Hanukkah, at the beginning of the second school term.

Rotarians plan visits to factories by pupils, to show that "industry" doesn't necessarily mean toiling in dingy workshops, but that it offers a satisfying and promising way of earning a living.

## Sheli wants to fight monopolies

TEL AVIV (Him). — A call to establish a national forum of workers' committees whose decisions would be binding on the Histadrut was issued here last week at the second session of the national Shell conference.

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### TWO-IN-ONE CROSSWORD

Use the same diagram for either the Cryptic or the Easy puzzle.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31	32

#### CRYPTIC PUZZLE

ACROSS  
1 A floater like many another (5)  
6 Hold-up man? (5)  
9 It's not exactly Pate that's the lightning (7)  
10 Where to be comfortably placed in division one (5)  
11 Cash in recent settlements (5)  
12 Relics on certain sides (5)  
13 See clinders sifted (7)  
15 It can also be eaten with a knife (11)  
16 Before going in the canteen (4)  
18 Sort of orchestra with a suitably sound? (5)  
19 Greetings from the 'hair-dresser'? (5)  
20 A firm stand (8)  
22 Not's other name? (4)  
24 Way ahead age (3)  
25 The watcher's responsibility to be wary? (11)  
26 The various ways a monarch will show contempt (5)  
27 Soft banks to sid' comin' round (5)  
28 Grey blanket (5)  
29 Young player (10)  
30 Look it's soon arranged for piano! (5)  
31 Long to be dingy for a change (5)

DOWN  
1 The dried fruit it is the wet (8)  
2 Letter from a girl on the Continent (8)  
4 Vessel in the fore when there's a fortune to be made (7)  
5 Whetstone for paring pliers (7)  
6 Leather ones are alive! (7)  
7 They're of the record (4)  
8 Young player (10)  
10 Athos, 11, Othello, 12, Paris, 13, Delos, 14, Helen, 15, Sidreus, 16, Delos, 17, Parnassus, 18, Herakles, 19, Herakles, 20, Herakles, 21, Herakles, 22, Herakles, 23, Herakles, 24, Herakles, 25, Herakles, 26, Herakles, 27, Herakles, 28, Herakles, 29, Herakles, 30, Herakles, 31, Herakles, 32, Herakles.

#### EASY PUZZLE

ACROSS  
1 Trickster stage (5)  
2 Wonders off (5)  
3 Devious (5)  
4 Thru (5)  
5 Paddy high (7)  
6 Athletic activity (7)  
7 Directly opposed (5)  
8 Not so neatly (5)  
9 Comprehensibility (7)  
10 Definite article (5)  
11 Responsibility (5)  
12 Not so neatly (5)  
13 Precious boxes (4)  
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15 Unconquered state (4)  
16 Rugged (5)  
17 Chivalry (7)  
18 Grating noise (5)  
19 Pile a gun (5)  
20 Concoct (5)  
21 Proctus (7)  
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Money Matters

Egypt curbs expenses, pushes investment

CAIRO (Reuter). — Dr. Khalil, presenting the government's annual policy statement to parliament, said yesterday expenditure in the 1980 general budget would total 7,785.4m. Egyptian pounds (\$1,254.2m).

Egyptian Prime Minister Mustapha Khalil yesterday increased the prices of petrol, cigarettes and soft drinks in an attempt to reduce his nation's big deficit and maintain subsidies on essential goods.

Egypt, as compared with world market prices, represented in effect a subsidy of more than 800m. pounds (\$1,169.4m.) a year. But Dr. Khalil announced various tax-free cost of living allowances to cushion low-paid government and public sector employees against rising prices.

net value from oil sales next year is expected to be about 826m. pounds (\$1,300m.). Dr. Khalil also announced that about one million of Egypt's population of 41 million will lose their ration cards. These give citizens the right to subsidized food.

Bonds fall on index announcement

TEL AVIV. — Widespread selling of the various types of index-linked bonds materialized in the wake of last Friday's 9.7 per cent rise in the index for November. It seems that part of last week's buying, which lifted the price of index-linked bonds, was based on the premise that the November index would rise by about 11 per cent.

Market report

By JOSEPH MORGENSTERN

Turnovers in shares were also nearly identical to those recorded Thursday and stood at IL3.1m. In spite of the lackluster performance, the general share index advanced by 0.54, to 152.5.

Arche lost 13, to 282, but Phoenix IL5 was "buyers only." The Phoenix IL1 shares rose by 11. Land development and real estate shares were down. They were undoubtedly influenced by Rasco's liquidity problems.

Tel Aviv Stock Exchange

Table with columns: Company Name, Closing Price, Volume, Change. Includes companies like Bank Leumi, Bank Hapoalim, and various industrial stocks.

New York Stock Exchange

Table with columns: Index Name, Closing Price, Change. Includes Dow Jones Industrial Average, S&P 500, and various sector indices.

Survival, not social justice, should determine tax policy, head of Elron group says

By YA'ACOV ARDON, Jerusalem Post Reporter. HAIFA. — The best chance of improving the country's huge adverse trade balance lies in expanding its science-based industries, according to Uria Gali, managing director of the Elron group of industries.

Report to U.S. Senate before Opec meeting. Oil is dominant factor in inflation and world's growth

WASHINGTON. — World oil prices have skyrocketed more than 80 per cent since last December, creating a "sobering" global economic outlook that is expected to worsen after the Organisation of Petroleum Exporting Countries (Opec) meets in Caracas this week to make new production and pricing decisions.

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CARACAS (Reuter). — Libya yesterday announced an increase of nearly \$4 in its oil prices, backdated to November 1, and said it took this decision in response to price increases by Saudi Arabia and other Opec oil exporters.

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Table with columns: Company Name, Closing Price, Volume, Change. Lists various companies and their stock prices.

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Representative bond prices

Table with columns: Bond Name, Price, Change. Lists various government and corporate bonds.

West German media plan strike for pay

RONN (UPI). — West Germany's traditionally stable labour relations were jolted yesterday by news that media workers plan the country's first radio and television blackout.

Most active shares

Table with columns: Company Name, Closing Price, Volume, Change. Lists the most actively traded shares.